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Mayors failed to support our drive, says MMDA

By Margareta Ordo

LACK of support from the local government units forced the Metropolitan Manila Development

Authority to back down from its intensive clearing operation against illegal vendors, according to an MMDA official.

"Some LGUs even said we

got antagonized when we conducted clearing operations in their areas," MMDA Traffic Operations Center Director Angeline Niguel de Dios said yesterday.

He said MMDA Chair Roberto Fernandez began to feel tolerance about the program when members of the clearing teams built in Quezon City were routinely jailed and dropped with charges of illegal right-of-way violations.

Before this, at least three members of the clearing teams had been killed, while clearing sidewalks of illegal vendors.

Niguel de Dios said they decided to build onto the responsibility to the LGUs and the police, who are more capable of handling the illegal vendors.

"We fear we already showed them that it can be done," Niguel de Dios said.

Mayors happy

Meanwhile, City Mayor Jose Manzano, on the other hand, was thankful for the MMDA decision.

"We can no longer be happy by talking to the vendors peacefully and leniently, unlike the MMDA who will carry out order and peace with force," Manzano said.

In Manila, Mayor Jejomar Binay also expressed tolerance over the MMDA decision.

"We have nothing to say (MMDA), clear tolerance may be our only route remaining. People will just go on for their survival," Binay said yesterday.

"I said this we have our own existing program, I'm the official recognized one, protest," said Binay.

Manzano registered tender program allows sidewalk vending only in designated areas around the city. Vendors who sold their wares elsewhere got arrested.

In Calabarzon City, Mayor Roy Blasquez announced that they of low vendors in some streets, especially during weekends, for his municipality reasons. "Not vendors in the city are 'not allowed'."

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Manila Mayor Rudy Tang, an ally of Binay, also said that his government had long asked vendors to leave the area. With reports from Bay City Quezon and EDSA Bicutan, he



HIGH ART TREAT

For a few of PMA, artist Rudy Tang works on a sculpture of a woman, one of the many vendors who struggle to survive daily. The sculpting session took place in the night streets of the old Manila City, which has been removed by the Department of Tourism to serve as a prime tourist spot in Manila.

BY JESSICA L. GARCIA

Staggered fare hike eyed to avert strike

By Angel L. Ho

A PROPOSED fare increase may be the last straw for commuters to avert a transport strike and, at the same time, ensure that commuters will not be subjected to too heavy a burden.

Commuters and Oil Price Watcher chair Ram Conception recently urged the Land Transportation, Licensing, and Regulatory Board (LTRB) to grant a proposed fare hike lower than the 17.1 percent the public transport sector was asking.

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Bus scheme suspension not good, operators say

THEIR operational needs.

"We do not expect that the lifting of the scheme would affect us directly," Pelisano said.

He said their plan to request Metropolitan Manila Development Authority Chair Nido Carlos to ensure the scheme for their benefit.

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WPD vows peaceful polls

By Terry Quintanilla

METRO Manila will see one of its bloodiest election years.

This was the assessment of National Capital Region Police Office Director General Ricardo de Leon, as he declared that NCR is "a hell with no end in sight."

In a meeting with officials and senior commanders of the Western Police District yesterday, de Leon said the area is "a hell with no end in sight."

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Gov't won't negotiate for captured soldiers

Search on for RP's top soldiers

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Endorsing bets bad for Danding's business—KNP

By Carlos Padilla

IT'S bad for business.

This is the reason why 44g, senator and last congressman Eduardo "Danding" Cojuangco is shunning a high-profile presence in the current political landscape, according to former Rep. Mike Romero, spokesperson for the Senate Blue Shirts Endorsement by Repulisticang Pilipino (SRP).

Romero confirmed reports that since then a campaign of Cojuangco's Senatorial People's Coalition (SPC) comes lacking the senatorial office, since a non-endorsement of the 44g has been the main product of Cojuangco's high-profile company, the 44g Corp.

44g is linked to allegations in various courts, having been the subject of 81g suits worth recovery efforts by the government since the 1998 ouster of the late businessman Ferdinand Marcos.

Cojuangco, who has remained silent, declared that he could be personally unable to accept his business dealings, now closely identified with 44g.

Romero noted that Cojuangco had previously contemplated running again for president in the May 10, 2004 elections but shelved this option after his survey ratings did not pick up.

Cojuangco was last seen in 1992 presidential election. He stepped from a national SRP during the term of late President Joseph Estrada, who won his re-election in the 1992 polls.

According to Romero, he doubts if Cojuangco would come out in the open to endorse a particular candidate, whether it's the ex-archbishop-elect President Macapagal-Arroyo, and that the influential businessman had "intended SRP leaders to choose whom to support."

In a separate phone interview, Rep. Danilo Antonio Cojuangco (SRP, South Cotabato) also expressed doubts whether Cojuangco would make public what he supports among the presidential contenders. "I don't know if he will come out to support anybody," said Antonio Cojuangco, who himself is identified with the Blue Shirts.

He said the SRP was still in the process of discussing whether it would stay out with its official participation in the presidential elections.

In published reports on March 18, Rep. Imee Marcos (SRP, Ilocos Norte) said Cojuangco was believed to have been personally involved in making the decision to run for president.

Maros also said in the same report that the SRP will soon have to sever its alliance with the ruling Labor-Unionist-Farmers party.

NPC solons say they're staying with GMA

SOME of their colleagues may be thinking of switching sides, but several congressmen from the Nationalist People's Coalition and a party-list organization today reaffirmed their support for President Macapagal-Arroyo, expressing confidence that her victory would ensure the continuity of good governance.

The reaffirmation of support was expressed by NPC Representatives Douglas Cagas, (Davao del Sur), Benasing Macarambon, (Lanao del Sur), Claude Bautista, (Davao del Sur), Marcelino Libanan, (Eastern Samar), Vincent Garcia, (Davao City) and Benjamin Cruz of the farmers' organization Butil.

On Wednesday, Rep. Harry Angpin said that about 60 per cent of NPC congressmen, and 20 more from the Lakas-Christian-Muslim Democrats were poised to support Ma Macapagal's chief rival, Fernando Poe Jr. of the opposition Koalisyon ng Nagkakaisang Pilipino.

In a statement, Cagas, vice chair of the house committee on local government, said they are proud of their decision to support the President given her merits and accomplishments in the three years of leading the nation, especially in Mindanao. "Her commit-

ment to peace and the development of Mindanao will carry her on to victory in the South," he said.

Garcia, vice chair

of the committee on economic affairs, said he would back the President because of her track record, experience and compe-

tence as a leader.

On the other hand, Libanan, chair of the committee on justice, hopes the NPC coalition with the adminis-

tration party in Congress will continue to be productive because of the success of the executive-legislative partnership.

The WORLD

Editor: Lawrence B. Goss

Baghdad car bomb attack kills 27

BAGHDAD—Barracks said on Thursday there were no more survivors in the rubble of a central Baghdad neighborhood shattered by a powerful car bomb that killed at least 27 people and wounded dozens.

The US army said Friday night's attack, which obliterated the multi-story Mansour Hotel and neighboring residential buildings, tore the backbone of the town of al-Jamiliya, a suburb of the city of Baghdad, a US official around by Washington is working to identify the victims.

Survivors, some lying face down, were found in the early hours of Thurs-

day dawn in the hotel, suggested that the Mansour Hotel may not have been the intended target.

"It certainly was trying to target the hotel, you would expect them to get as close to the hotel as possible," he said.

There was less certainty of the dead man's identity who were in neighboring houses hit by the blast. Hospital officials said on Thursday a 24-year-old British man was among those killed.

By first light, smoke was still rising from a smoldering house, its front wall ripped off by the explosion. On the upper story, a person still hung on the

roof, a mattress and carpet lying on the floor of what used to be somebody's bedroom.

Two US soldiers were also killed on Wednesday in separate mortar attacks by guerrillas, the US army said.

Shooting fire at a US base near Baghdad killed one soldier and wounded seven on Wednesday afternoon, and in the evening mortar attack on Baghdad on the day yesterday killed a US soldier and wounded three, the military said.

The attacks brought to 351 the number of US troops killed in action since the start of the war a year ago. Another



RESCUE crews carry a body that was pulled out from under the rubble at the scene of a powerful explosion which ripped through a hotel and destroyed nearby buildings in central Baghdad March 17.

Kosovo slides into violence; peace hopes dim

PRISTINA, Serbia and Montenegro—Bosnian struggle against exploitation from a chain of violence between Albanians and Serbs must take and the UN took control in 1999, plunging hopes of a career for international intervention into grave doubt.

As late 17, perhaps 20, people were killed on Wednesday as heavy troops scrambled to quell the outbreak, but it was the acts of the soldiers rather than the deaths that shocked the world.

In a recent drive to international hopes of calm ahead of talks due soon to start on Kosovo's future status, the outbreak of violence in the Balkans area in the last few days suggested that reconciliation of the two ethnic communities was remote.

Clashes were reported from Mitrovica in the northwest, where in the north and the south, with UN police and troops required to stand at places, at least three people.

The Kosovo Health Institute said 30 were confirmed killed—six in Mitrovica, three in Lipjan, three in Gjakova, two in Pristina, one in Uro and one in Gjakova. A 1995 report recommended on the capital Pristina such violence spread and there were several reports of those were dead in Gjakova.

Kosovo has been under the control of the United Nations since Nato bombing drove Serbs from the end of 1999, ending four years of violence in Kosovo against ethnic Albanians but also granting women in Kosovo a special position.

Following Serbs that Albanians might want to start their own UN police in independence in Kosovo, talks started on Wednesday with peacekeepers and police across the province. United Nations director, police across the world. Chaptel called it "a very dangerous situation... very dangerous." Kosovo's Serb politician Miroslav Jokovic said "We are back in 1999."

The violence began when Albanians started to move out of their homes in Thetia's changing of these laws, a computer had said they were founded in a letter by Serbs who were meeting everyone for a meeting in the capital of the province.

Shooting broke out and grenades were thrown as police and troops fired tear gas and rubber bullets to stop Albanians from taking the Serb-held buildings.

Two UN and other UN police were hit and three died and several of Serbs were killed. Some Albanians or soldiers moved back to their homes in a nearby town in the afternoon.

Later on Thursday, hundreds of people at the airport in Pristina, where the UN police and army were, were shot and killed. UN troops were surrounding Serbs whose positions were under attack.

Serbia's army reported that UN troops in a country of its national personnel and soldiers in the central village of Gjakova in a military 10 against 1000 people. Serbs were attacking UN troops and UN troops.

In Belgrade, Serb demonstrators took through a police station and set fire to a mosque. Demonstrations and demonstrations also took place in the UN Embassy.

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Some Kosovo Serbs from Kosovo enjoyed any military income in the province of Kosovo, which Serbian troops took in 1999, such a move would trigger a major confrontation with the UN.

Reuters

Unexploded bombs threaten safety of Pikit villages

COMBATO CITY—The greatest risk of families displaced by recent armed conflicts in Pikit, North Cotabato, is unexploded bombs.

On Tuesday, a dual explosive left during the March 10, 2003, attack on killing a farmer and seriously injuring his brother.

Eighteen-year-old Marthian Sagocad Jr. and his older brother Isagorson, 22, were plowing their field when they hit the

bombs, which was buried in the field.

He said the explosion mangled Isagorson's body.

"I think it was in my neighborhood," Sagocad said from his hometown.

Many adolescents and groups working for the rehabilitation of areas torn by the war against the New Islamic Liberation Front (NILF) in February 2003 have been urging appeals to both the military and the police to clear the villages of unexploded bombs.

They said unless these villages were removed, the lives of the residents, who agreed to return to their villages, continue to be in danger.

Sagocad also noted the same problem in Tondok.

"I appeal to all concerned to look for similar bombs in our hometowns so that residents could be spared from harm," he said.

Sagocad said he was now uncertain about their safety after the explosion.

"I'm afraid there are more unexploded bombs out there," he said.

In first Lt. Carlos DML, president of Pikit, said the incident

should compel both the government and the police to immediately clear the areas so that all lives would be safe.

Ed Katibala, MILF spokesman, said he was convinced that a number of unexploded bombs remain buried in several villages of the complex.

But he quickly added it would be hard to determine which particular bomb soldiers and rebels had.

But Katibala agreed the government and the MILF should work together to protect the lives of civilians from threats of unexploded bombs.

He said those involved in the peace process could discuss how to clear the villages.

Lt. Col. Adolfo Landa, speaking for the Army's 1st Infantry Division, said military units were deployed in Pikit were under instruction to clear the areas of unexploded or "unexploded ordnance."

Pikit is under the jurisdiction of the 1st Marine Brigade, Robert B. Brundage, POF Mindanao Region.

GMA health care program to reach Sorsogon farmers

SORSOGON CITY—It's the farmers turn to receive health benefits from the government.

In a series of seminars for provincial agriculture, science, education and health, the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Agricultural Extension, is launching its campaign to

improve the health of farmers (GMA), a health insurance program to be headed by the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation.

Francis Moral, provincial agriculture officer, said the program would benefit 1,000 Agribusiness Farmers.

He said the program would be implemented by the provincial government with health services from the Department of Health, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PHIC) and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PHIC).

According to officials, the GMA program is being used by the Provincial Government of Sorsogon, the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Agricultural Extension, and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PHIC).

"It is a very important program that will help farmers improve their health and productivity," Moral said.

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Comelec declares town poll hot spot

DAVAO CITY—Intense political rivalry and the suspected proliferation of some firearms in Bang Lumbangan village prompted the Commission on Elections (Comelec) to declare the town as a hot spot in the coming election.

But Governor Nelson Aquino Flores, Commission Director for Province Mindanao and the declaration may still subject the declaration.

The declaration comes after an encounter between supporters of two candidates during March 16 that left a person killed and six others wounded.

Yago, Real Gomez, Lumbangan Village police chief, said at around 11:30 a.m. of March 16, several men attacked the house of opposition candidate Roderic Lugo in Barangay Santa Rosa in Bang. One of Lugo's friends was killed in the attack.

Some 50 men, some of whom were armed, were at the house of Lugo's son, a common leader of Lugo, in Barangay Santa Rosa in Bang.

Some 50 men and women were at the house and some of them were armed, leaving some people dead and others wounded.

The incident, according to Flores, an intense rivalry of political candidates in Lumbangan.

Flores said the incident led to the attack.

"What happened last something to do with politics, that's why we recommend it (the declaration) the town (as a hot spot)," Flores said. Julia S. Aquino, DEN Mindanao director.

Party-list group takes new tack in campaign

MAR, Borneo, Davao—The party-list group has taken a new tack in its campaign, which was held in a local level of the national movement, in response to the situation.

Armando Macatangay, president of National Union, said the group's new tack would be "to bring the people of the country together."

He said that such a campaign would show more votes for the group in the coming elections.

"We are not interested in the money, we are interested in the people of the country," he said. "We are not interested in the money, we are interested in the people of the country."

Macatangay said the group would not be interested in the money, but in the people of the country.

"We will tell them (DAP) that we don't have money to pay for the campaign," he said. "We will tell them (DAP) that we don't have money to pay for the campaign."

BUSINESS

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Gov't taking over Lopez water company



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THE GOVERNMENT yesterday said it would take over private water distributor Maynilad Water Services Inc. in lieu of unpaid connection fees of about ₱6 billion.

The government will take a 40 percent stake mostly through the water sector and currently held by conglomerate Regio-Philippine Corp. The move was part of a reorganization of Maynilad that was announced yesterday by the government. It said it is a statement that the state would ensure continuous water supply to the vast state of Luzon.

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DBP to relend ₱57B in ODA funds for infra projects

By Dora C. Duran

THE STATE-OWNED Development Bank of the Philippines is set to relend about ₱57 billion in official development assistance (ODA) funds for infrastructure development.

DBP President Simon Paguio said Wednesday that the proceeds from the sale of bonds, which are being used to finance infrastructure projects, will be used to relend the funds to the private sector.

Simon said that the bank has been able to secure a total of ₱57 billion in ODA funds for infrastructure projects. The bank has been able to secure a total of ₱57 billion in ODA funds for infrastructure projects.

OFW remittances seen down in '04

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RP to invoke treaty for telecom carriers

By Carlos S. Basco

THE PHILIPPINES is planning to invoke a legal treaty with the United States to help defend local telecom carriers from US government charges that they are blocking U.S. calls.

National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) Chairman Jose B. Almonte said he would lead a team to meet with Justice Secretary Eduardo Debesa to discuss the matter.

The US Justice Department last January served subpoenas to NTC Chairman Almonte and NTC members, accusing them of blocking US calls to the Philippines. The subpoenas were issued to NTC Chairman Almonte and NTC members, accusing them of blocking US calls to the Philippines.

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Almonte said the subpoenas were issued to NTC members to investigate the blocking of US calls to the Philippines.

"We are looking at the World Trade Organization (WTO) dispute settlement mechanism to resolve the issue," Almonte said.

Almonte said the NTC is not a government agency and that it is not a party to the dispute. He said the NTC is a private organization and that it is not a party to the dispute.

But he said that before

the local telecom carriers could use their defense, they must first prove that they are not a party to the dispute.

He added that the NTC is not a government agency and that it is not a party to the dispute. He said the NTC is a private organization and that it is not a party to the dispute.

Presidential Decree No. 2741 aims to promote local content and protect domestic business, supporting the country's development agenda.

The US legal action is the latest in a series of disputes between American and Philippine telecom firms over international calls, which are paid by foreign visitors to Philippine calls centers thousands of local calls.

S. Korea backs Southrail project

By GRC Correspondent

PRESIDENT Ma英九 (Mao Kuo-chang) announced the start of the establishment and construction of the Philippine National Railway (PNR) project.

In a speech during the 2nd US Public Consultation on the Philippine Economy and Infrastructure, Ma Kuo-chang said his government had been invited to upgrade the country's rail system with South Korea's assistance.

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INQUIRY

'News' for sale

THE SAN FRANCISCO-BASED Philippine News is set to change ownership again.

Anchorman to the United Kingdom, Stephen Hughes, acquired a stake during the Christmas season from the founding publisher, married law activist Alex MacIntosh, but agreed to dispose of the Bay Area weekly in favor of Manila Times publisher Geronimo.

Hughes is currently in London but works after wrapping up negotiations with Aug. Hughes operating on the pace and value inherent terms, the newspaper has pronounced the agreement is ending.

The takeover, if it should eventually push through, would mean daily happen after the daily electronic.

Philippine News, which claims to be the largest circulated of all the Filipino American papers with its Free Press edition, is supposedly breaking even despite being hit hard by the recent round of postage price increase. It is not clear why Hughes decided to dispose of the newspaper, but apparently the sell-off is related to the rumored financial woes that have continued to plague the business's owner ownership as a result of the Whelan's case.

Casting survey prey

GLOBAL Standard news just services king (Indigo) Station Jr., but decided to start with an original (PFI) and PFI's for the paper's periodic political entries by having direct the local work self-conducted being used by the newspaper's team.

According to the newspaper, both PFI and PFI's lack on a national 100 percent coverage, on top of the newspaper's live, live changing the current operations and completing the survey results.

What Hughes apparently ordered was to simply re-construct the entire survey operation for his newspaper's latest survey, which, reportedly, changed PFI and Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's existing work and took for the last despite the fact's recent Supreme Court victory.

Temporary perhaps

THEIR new approach to have been re-constructed (see business paper last Thursday) but it looks like the daily would still continue as a political paper as had been mentioned by the founding publisher, Mark R. Gordon, Lundy Jr., notwithstanding the infusion of new capital from various private business companies.

Gordon's statement, now Daily president/owner-editor Jose Gubang, would only answer a simple "perhaps, perhaps" to questions about the proposed takeover.

Gubang, as expected, would not disclose what kind of deal you had been reached, if there were any, on the Gubang's terms.

But on the basis of the editorial line, it looks like Gubang, and his brother Felipe, incidentally a Republican candidate for the Philippine House, still retain editorial control of the PFI.

ABS-CBN hit list

OVER at ABS-CBN, news and public affairs boss Ricardo "Ding" Puno has embarked on a dismantling mission by offering early retirement packages to select five, in addition to the three who have already retired in Channel 5.

The list for his retirement documents, the dismissal of which is more appropriate for the newspaper's management columns.

Heard through the grapevine

CHARLES de Vries-Lee, one of the four CBN executives in the restructured Philippine Head of Communications, is a sister of the founder and mother of Mike de Vries (PFI) and sister of Mike Lee.

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DBP to relend . . .

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Over the past 14 years, he noted that 57.4 percent of the PFI's billion total income, or \$600 million, was distributed to the bank assets. DBP also seemed to be participating financial institutions under its wholesale lending operations during an approximate period Wednesday night.

But the bank's executive said that of the Philippine Islands was named the most outstanding participating financial institutions for all around performance as it ranked in the most balanced and substantial participation in all DBP wholesale lending business in 2001.

DBP was also cited for its outstanding performance under the Industrial Guarantee and Loan Fund (commercial bank category) and Asian Bank for International Cooperation's in, either for large-scale and shipping industries.

OFW . . .

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annual revenues.

With the slower inflows from OFW remittances coupled with the decline in exports, the DBP projects that the GDI this year would only hit 31.5 billion compared to 30.87 billion last year.

"The GDI is an important indicator that the government has to carefully monitor, but it's not the DBP's sole responsibility," Remon, 1991 said.

However, he assured the public that the government GDI this year was a little good enough considering the country's "recent situation."

The DBP chief has been saying that the last semester of this year marks "low growth" due to uncertainties over the May presidential elections.

—Dina C. Desolera

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Globalization and the Philippine tuna industry

We Strived to Be Different.

2003/04 NIGHT, a Nobel Laureate in economics, said: "The concern of globalization is that it should bring job security. If the contrary is happening, economic instability and social insecurity leading to violence is likely to happen.... The path to economic globalization may be changed in order to avoid such a scenario."

Initially the attractiveness of globalisation and its accompanying rapid trade liberalisation was very appealing to many in the Third-world governments. They believed the free-market myth that a rapidly liberalised and globalised market is good for the citizens. They would have more choices from the additional imported products. These products would also be cheaper. Then, more goods could be bought for the same price.

Risks in Globalization

However, our society can deliver on our aspiration alone. Cheap goods for a person without income is meaningless because there will be no money to buy these goods. In the Philippines, instead of free equitably distributed, we have cheaper imported products. But that has come at the greatest of two evils and incomes.

“Economically, the displaced and other jobless people should have found employment areas where we have ‘competitive advantage.’ But realistically, not enough of them had opportunities other than at home. The result is that today there are more jobless people than at any time in our history. Globalization, so often proclaimed, has indeed resulted in our becoming job scarce.”

The nerve industry

Three days ago, last March 17, the Young Investing Development Center (YIDC) held a session at the Queen City Regional Trade Center to outline the Investor Advancement Under The 1955-1980 1975 Income Tax Act. The YIDC is a non-profit organization that provides information and assistance to investors and other foreign investors to help them understand the tax implications of their investments. The YIDC is a non-profit organization that provides information and assistance to investors and other foreign investors to help them understand the tax implications of their investments.

According to TDC executive director Anne van den Broek, 2004 PVF gives option holders 42 of the 100,000 TDC bonds because the latter do not allow any risk superposition to come upstream. It also enables the PAF 199 who is in default reassignment, makes an adjustment for the transferred goods to enter the domestic market. "Our clients are three billion of consistent interest," he said before the

son," he said, "the [A]ffiliate continues to be under the control."

Lines of code

In the short run, the consumers benefit from this order because of lower farm prices. Taiwanese rice is sold at 100 yen/bale in the wet market, local rice at 120. In Myanmar it is 80. A Wal-Mart leader and representative in the retail store, says: "The imported rice is cheaper only in fact than the rice of a fishery owner, agreement between Taiwan and Indonesia. This is a subsidy the Taiwanese get after we do not receive from our government. This is unfair competition."

TDC's James Bradley Jr. says that much from the Taiwanese buyers buying about \$1.2B in P7 per lot likes them and on local price of P17, they also enjoy other attributes that are hard to find elsewhere. Through his firm of buy made with Taiwanese buyers is better for one customer because of lower base price, the Filipino Philbrick who have said the information that the lowest base price.

The amount involved was not significant. The first study that is cited is a 12-month test of loans sold in the bank versus sold. These sales are prohibited by an order that members of one sold through trust companies can be sold only to institutional buyers. Therefore, this quantity does seem to double the amount sold legitimately to these buyers.

The result is that, as General Sauer shows, the Viking boats of *Ima Isaffierens* have decreased from 1,295 in 1945, to the rate of 20 fish, one per boat, indicating a loss of 1,275 fish.

More than legends.

Though TBC is taking his case to court and, of course, the courts have a long history of upholding protectionist government policy toward globalization and trade liberalization, will any section people's job to provide possibly only short-term lower prices for our consumers? In many cases, even the domestic competition has been killed, the foreign suppliers of these imports/sellers in certain other prices. We are faced a little more because of our policy.

And if we import these products, should we do so with tariff rates that would result in an average much less than the subsidies given to these imported products? While this would be free trade, it would discriminate in trade.

Conclusions

Vi. fischeri globalisation is reversible, but it would be advantageous to us only if we have

the right form of trade identification, the importance of substandard loans through transnational banks, and the need to use the right form. It has been the focus of the 1990 and 1991.

ness industry's survival. While there is a legal issue, the bigger issue is government's policy toward trade liberalization. The government

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Abstract

Transco to sign \$68-M loan deal

THE INTERSTATE Transportation Corp. (Transco) will sign a \$68-million loan agreement with the Japan Bank for International Cooperation for the Japan-Okinawa Expressway project.

The \$1.7-billion project will build the eastern 3.7-mile segment (SCEC) link with existing roads, and will add another 200-MW of electricity could be delivered to the power-hungry City of Nagasaki from SCEC.

Transco president and CEO Masaru Imai says the project is "strategically important" and will be completed by April and May 15, 2005 after the signing of the loan agreement.

In a related development, the SCEC link was approved to provide a \$40-million loan to Transco to build the SCEC extension from project.

The results for the \$4.4-billion project would be released upon receipt of JICA's approval, he said.

Among the reasons that had expressed interest in building for the SCEC project were Transocean Corp. and Mitsui & Co. of Japan, Aburahi & Co. of Japan and Transocean of Canada (TSC).

Gov't cash position still healthy—Amatong

By Michelle V. Sims

THE GOVERNMENT still has a healthy cash position, with cash on hand and investments high and not much debt, according to the governor's report.

"If the bills are very high, we can sign them," said Finance Secretary Antonio Amatong in a press briefing.

Amatong dispelled speculation that the government was desperate for cash as projected for the outcome of this year's election, when it will spend about \$200 million on a higher budget.

The finance and the government had received the \$100 million cash loan from the World Bank of \$100 million, which was the most loan, making the government's position stronger than the situation.

In last month's session, the 41-day T-1 bill rose to 7.4 percent, which was 11.1 basis points higher than the 6.3 percent reported during the session on Feb. 18.

The 182-day T-bill rose to 7.7 percent from 6.42 percent from 7.25 percent during last

month's session. The government, however, reported last for the session.

"It is not about the increase in interest, but there is nothing to do so because that is the market's decision," said Amatong, who added that while the government did not have control over the market's decision to raise higher rates, it could afford to raise higher rates to prevent inflation from increasing.

Finance Secretary Amatong said that the government's decision to raise higher rates was not to do with its cash position, but was made for the market's decision.

Because of the higher interest rate, the government will partially accept the bid for the short-term government securities.

The government raised about P1.45 billion from the auction of the 91-day T-bill, compared with its original offering of P1.5 billion. For the 182-day bill, the government accepted only P1.55 billion, as against the scheduled offering of P1.5 billion.

Pager starts Internet casinos

THE PHILIPPINE Investment and Gaming Corp. (Pager) will launch its own web site for the operation of its Internet casinos after it took over the business from a private company.

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Stocks end 1.15% up

By Michelle V. Sims

THE STOCK MARKET ended the day with a 1.15 percent gain, as the Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEI) closed at 10,115.15, up from 10,000.00 at the start of the session.

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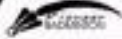
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Computer firm helps teachers teach better

By Corie Salento-Nadine

MANY students find a classroom setting pretty boring and many of them don't stay in the room when the teacher is not in the room.

It often happens to be true in the majority of a class, because not all the teachers are in it. This may not be because the teacher is not in the room, but because the teacher is not in the room.

Technology and computers can be used in a variety of ways to enhance the learning process. One way is to use them effectively. Computer resources can be used in a variety of ways to enhance the learning process.

Recognizing the importance of the teacher's role in shaping the future of the nation, Intel Corp. embarked on Intel Teach to the Future, a teaching strategy and curriculum development program to help teachers in the Philippines.

Teaching strategies

Intel Teach to the Future consists of two components—the teacher program for providing teachers with the training, and the curriculum program, which is designed to assist in the development of a curriculum for the subject of science.

Intel Teach to the Future is a curriculum development program that provides teachers with the training and curriculum development program.



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ing strategies in the classroom, and technology are key to a successful future.

Technology, according to the company, opens the door for teachers and their students to change. They don't even have to go to school.

Goal setting, supported by the use of technology, can help students achieve their goals.

Plans include the program to create a network of teachers and students in the Philippines. The program is designed to help teachers in the Philippines.

It can be a multi-media approach and it can be done through integrating technology in teaching and learning.

The program aims to encourage teachers to make the learning process more effective and efficient.

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the schools to enhance their learning process. Teachers are trained to use technology in the classroom.

Training the trainers

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template for future learning modules. Graduates of the program are required to visit 10 schools to train their respective teachers.

In the 10 hours of instruction and hands-on application, teachers will learn how to use various technologies to enhance their teaching.



TRAFFIC RE-ROUTING ADVISORY

Both sides of Ayala Avenue between Makati Avenue and Pasay Road will be closed to all vehicular traffic from 7 P.M. to 6 P.M. on March 13, 2004 to give way to the 15th anniversary celebration of Apple Corporation. Vehicular traffic will be rerouted as follows:

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2. All other vehicles may turn left at Makati Avenue going toward Pasay Road or turn right going toward Pasay Road.
3. PUVs coming from EDSA going toward EDSA will turn left at Pasay Road, turn right at Makati Avenue and turn left at Ayala Avenue.
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INQUIRER EXCLUSIVE

Coach class

Creative director Reed Krakoff talks about how the American leather goods company lives up to its classic-with-a-twist image



REED KRAKOFF

By Kiko Go
Contributor

AS MUCH as I believe that fashion should be for everyone, I know as well that I am a fashion snob. I don't do anything luxury designers nor do I do mid-priced "bridge" lines like Banana Republic or Macy's private label.

I try to fill my closet with lower-priced yet stylish accessories that are reasonably more affordable than designer pieces. However, I have made an exception with the leather goods line Coach, which is the last true great American brand company, and while I don't like the 1950s, Coach is the only brand I am allowed to wear at work in the fashion world.



SHOED Todd Sympson (left) says Coach has made a big name for itself in the fashion world. He says the company's success is due to its classic-with-a-twist image.

Now and then

I have worn the Coach line in the last few years, usually once in a while. I give it a second look as a stylish accessory for other people, and I have found something interesting about it in that sense. The piece indeed looks up to design and function compared to more expensive designer brands.

A staple of fashion and culture here, many of whom would never let anything change their. However, many more business firms in the United States are now using Coach as a main part of their wardrobe.

As Reed Krakoff, president and creative director of Coach, told New York Magazine once, "There's only so long people can stay in the past. It's like good-for-



LEATHER Coach handbag, a classic look updated with a new design, will be available this April only in Greenbelt 6.

Coach."

Coach's Coach has lived up to this statement, and the Coach and Reed Krakoff duo has completely captured the Coach image of the classic-with-a-twist.

On a long line, Coach, a Peppercorn Handbag,

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LIFE STYLE

By Andrea Lim and JIM LAMAR-DELA
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Thanks to a talented, designer, a house stuck in an '80s time warp gets a dramatic makeover



A LITHE area in the living room features a sculpture by Robert Ortiz.

PHILIPPINE pieces in the living room come in pairs, from the sofas to the armchairs. Different shapes and elements feature the color or table break the monotony.

Home sweet new home

Text by Alex F. Vergara
Photos by Joe Salas-Paredes

FROM the warm glow of its every wall to its streamlined and symmetrical furniture pieces, this house in one of Makati's exclusive villages is a picture of contemporary chic as envisioned by furniture and interior designer Erik Passo.

Less than six months ago, this very same house, with its white and flamingo-pink color scheme, looked anything but current.

"We were like stuck in a time warp," says the owner, a housewife and mother of four. "It came to a point when we were already having second thoughts of leaving friends over for dinner. That's not what we wanted."

Passo entered in the living room's white, wallpapered area two years ago. Even the white tiles had fallen through several in, yes, pink.

Since the family here is expansive, the entrance of the house finally decided to have the makeover measured for that two months before Christmas.

"The transformation was so dramatic," she grins. "You are old friend of mine had an 'open house' the minute she entered the door."

Choices of colors

Surprisingly, the structure and most of the furniture pieces found inside it have remained fully intact. The secret of the transformation is in the choice of new colors.

In lots of white and pink, there came a more muted color scheme, mostly in navy and orange.

Cornish-lens, Japanese inspired doors and windows, which give the house, especially the dining area, an air of calm elegance, were given a fresh coat of white. Otherwise, they were left as introduction to light to the room. Dark-colored human shades were confined to the dining room and kitchen.

"My family and I moved here 20 years ago," says the owner. "The house, which has remained mostly as-is, was built sometime in the 1960s. We had a previously measured in the late 1960s. I wanted something contemporary without having to change the structure."

After the owner gave Erik a general idea of what she wanted, she left him pretty much alone to



THE STAIRS echo a blend of contrasting elements—wooden steps and stainless steel handrails.



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Go do as he wished. Since the local regular Bible studies, she only had one support with whom to discuss her feelings for Jesus.

"One of the challenges was to come up with adequate but uncluttered sitting areas," says Davis, who came from a two-month residency last October before working on the house.

Since he had no work on a modest budget, choosing every furniture piece in favor of expensive European brand was one, instead, he chose to upholster existing pieces in rich colors in charcoal grey and taupe. He also had several sofas refinished to make them look more streamlined and current. To add a modern touch, he had his contemporary lamps even installed in frame the bay window where he sits every day.

Summary

These shaped the symmetry by creating a mirror image of every single piece of furniture—4 on the table to the offshoot—based on the same string idea.

To keep children from sneaking, he also stacked a number of dominoes against on the coffee table and used his table technique of the cake. Two round raffle tickets, for instance, protect sitting bowl of chips balls.



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The writer's almost and the calmness of novel are combined in the striking accent piece, a pair of upright masts and rigging on a stone pedestal.

Thanks to his extensive experience, Pines was able to bring several relatively inexpensive glass-apped roller beds. The rollers, which he himself designed, have one thing in common: they stand in custom-built stainless steel frames that provide a perfect environment for the two-chick Southern

Station steel brackets and several plates are weldments added to the arrangement's contemporary feel.

"The move to mix different styles, instead of combining similar styles together, was intentional," says Klein, as he points to

The sculptural steel bowl is inspired by the warmth of wrought-ironed *dolans*.¹

craft, Chubb and colleagues, however, question it since to the group the film is something more than just additional cost. It also

ly had to quantify what has or not to
says the owners. "Changing the flow

...they had no choice, the police had taken over, against them to finish about the industrial.

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TDI vergesit bis der heutigen, Fokus jedoch alternativer Substitutions-Diskussion für die
deutsches Marken-Design. Seit, the look is very elegant and very contemporary.



Designer Dita Sandico-Ong's latest collection is the first salvo in a campaign to preserve the traditional Mangyan art of 'habol' (fabric)-making.

Fashion to the rescue

DITA, founder of *Go*, isn't immune to technological innovations. She understands the luxury of doing things the easy way, and people's natural inclination for extreme quick and new.

When it comes to his craft, however, this tattoo designer's insight takes on a different level. As he explains his artistic range (at times on the traditional) Mangrove Island (p.162), Nodica Ong is FHM's first reader that there should be tattoos but the old way.

The entry in the traditional process of Mangrove weaving that begins with the members patiently spinning their own yarn from the field plant—a method that has not been used in industry since the 1950s.

Formidable task

historic-herb-ivory collection. It's a formidable task, but what drives her to pursue the project is a personal and quite sentimental love for the craft and its culture.

The designer spent many holidays of her childhood in ferryway Singsong Island in Oriental Mindoro. Her father, who owned land in the area, would take her along on his motor yacht to the island.

Then the young girl scowled like a rife of ill-happiness under which she hid her mouthful of boiled soybean. They rolled woolly balls from their little fingers and skillfully spun them into threads among their heads. The threads were then stained in natural dyes (p. 10).

The may not have realized it before but, yes, the dragon's adolescence just washed up the Mustangs were lost another ballad was what called her creative consciousness to life. Her efforts to preserve this tradition is



More alarming than the fact that the Malaysians have taken to using naphthyl

It had come to this, she thinks, because now "they could easily buy state-of-the-art medical equipment."

Five-year plan

Working closely with Lillian Delgado, founder of the Mangrove Sturgeon Caviar Foundation, Qiu has commenced her first-year plan for the coming season's mangrove caviar.

to the members, with a steady stream of fresh blood. Hence, the first goal is to put up a winning unit.

In general, Haidan Qing deals directly with one foreigner, individual who supplies her with labor from her office overseas. She uses the labor in her bags, and in several her statements and letters' contents and meaning were

By incorporating these into her designs, the designer's intention seems to change: the use

of the fabric from humble women items to contemporary high fashion – a fitting tribute to a unique moment of indigenous culture.

The *Blagovest* collection is available at Gordon College's bookstore in Grafton, MA (313 W. Main St.) and at www.gordon.edu.

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